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POLYTETRAFLUOROETHYLENE BLOCK-SHAPED

MOLDED ARTICLE AND METHOD OF PRODUCING

THE SAME

## AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

December 27, 2002

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Office Action dated June 27, 2002, the period for reply being extended three (3) months to December 27, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 4 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.  $^{\circ}$ 

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Amended) A polytetrafluoroethylene block-shaped molded article having a melt viscosity and a block deformation